



Programs for Kindergarteners:

All ranger programs at least briefly explain the federal government’s role in administering the Natchez Trace Parkway. Rangers will also connect explain the recreational value of the Trace and the responsibilities of local citizens to care for their National Park.

For **field trip rotational** activities, teachers may pick two or three ranger led activities, depending on staff available. Teachers may be assigned to lead easy activities that are “prepackaged” and need no teacher prep time. For **teacher field trips**, teachers will need to obtain the lesson plan and carry out the activity on their own.

Please let us know what you need. We may have a lesson not listed below that we can easily adapt.

To schedule a program, please call Amy Genke at 662-680-4053 or email Amy_Genke@nps.gov. Most programs must be scheduled at least three weeks in advance.

Teacher- Classroom Programs:

✓ = Free Lesson Plans and resources available from Natchez Trace Parkway website (www.nps.gov/natr/forteachers/state-lesson-plans.htm)

Summary of Program	Ranger Field Trip	Teacher Field Trip	Ranger Classroom	Teacher Classroom
Chickasaw Language: Students listen to a story and learn Chickasaw words.			✓	
Senses: Exploring the senses. Sight, sound, touch, and hearing are explored in this hands-on activity.			✓	
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Skins and Skulls: animal identification and matching	Part of rotation or Single program		✓	
Scavenger Hunt: Students look for living, non-living, natural, unnatural	Part of rotation or Single program	✓		
Beavers make a splash! Students listen to a story and one dresses up in “adaptations” like flippers, goggles, etc	Part of rotation or Single program		✓	
Symbols: Post Rider, National Park Service Arrowhead, and the Natchez Trace National Scenic Trail coloring pages				✓
History of the Natchez Trace: Students listen to a story and draw a picture			✓	✓
Spotted Salamander: Students learn how the salamander protects itself and color a picture				✓
PE Fire Safety: Student learn about fire safety (Smokey Bear may be able to visit)				✓